

REMARKS

Reconsideration and removal of the grounds for rejection are respectfully requested. Claims 1-18 were in the application, claims 1, 2, 12, 13, 14 and 18 have been amended, and claim 10 has been cancelled.

The examiner objected to claims 1, 2, 17 and 18, and rejected claim 12 as being indefinite for various deficiencies. Each of the deficiencies pointed out by the examiner has been addressed, rendering moot the objection and rejection.

The examiner indicated that claims 7-10 and 13-18 would be allowable if placed in independent form. By this amendment, the limitations of claim 10 have been incorporated into claim 1, essentially placing claim 10 in independent form. Similarly, claims 13, 14 and 18 have been placed in independent form, placing all the claims in condition for allowance.

Based on the above amendment and remarks, favorable consideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested. However should the examiner believe that direct contact with the applicant's attorney would advance the prosecution of the application, the examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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